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FM AMEMBASSY MANILA

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INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SRV COUNSELOR JOINS U.S. EXCURSION

- 1. EMBASSY MANILA E/C SECTION WAS HOST FOR MONTHLY DIPLOMATIC CORPS E/C OFFICERS FUNCTION AND ARRANGED A TOUR OF THE BATAAN EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE JULY 25. SRV EMBASSY DCM TRAN HUY CHUONG ACCEPTED BY PHONE, SHOWED UP AND PARTICIPATED IN ALL ACTIVITIES. BY COINCIDENCE BEPZ AUTHORITIES HAD ARRANGED TOUR OF MOST IMPRESSIVE FACTORIES, WHICH ARE U.S. INVESTMENTS (FORD STAMPING PLANT AND MATTEL TOYS) AND ONE FILIPINO GARMENT MAKER EXPORTING SUITS TO SEARS, PENNEY'S, ETC.
- 2. CHUONG, WHO HAD ACTED EARLIER FOR ABOUT A YEAR AS CHARGE AND NORMALLY AVOIDED AMERICANS, WAS FRIENDLY TO EMBOFF AND (FOR A VIETNAMESE) EFFUSIVE. HE WAS INTERESTED IN THE FORD PLANT AND ASKED QUESTIONS (OF EMBOFF). CONFIDENTIAL

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HE MADE NO SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT NOR ANY PITCH.

3. DEPUTY SOVIET TRADE REPRESENTATIVE YURIY V. TIMOFEEV ALSO SHOWED UP. HE HAD SERVED THREE YEARS IN NEW DELHI PRIOR TO COMING TO MANILA. HE WAS BORN IN SAME TOWN IN SIBERIA WHERE LENIN WAS EXILED. HE HAS A 17-YEAR-OLD BOY AND 4-YEAR-OLD GIRL. MURPHY

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